

## Ian Muir - June 2023

The entertainer for our summer meeting was accordion player Ian Muir, who leads the Ian Muir Sound. It was a beautiful day and set the scene for a very relaxed afternoon. Ian appeared totally at ease, his planned program just a sheet of ideas down by his feet, to use or adapt as the afternoon developed. His audience was equally relaxed and responded well to the to the atmosphere that Ian created. It was soon clear that tunes for a sing along would be welcomed and Ian obliged with a variety of popular Scottish Melodies. These were interspersed with jokes and stories that delighted the audience.

Then the moment each performer must think twice about – dare I ask for requests?

Ian asked for and was inundated with requests. Some were tunes he had written for people many years ago, others from performances years ago at the Gaiety Theatre, and yet other tunes from favourite Scottish Dances. Each one was met with a smile and with barely time to think he responded, much to the delight of the observers. He also answered the impromptu questions thrown at him.

All too soon, our allocated time drew to a close. What an enjoyable afternoon!

